



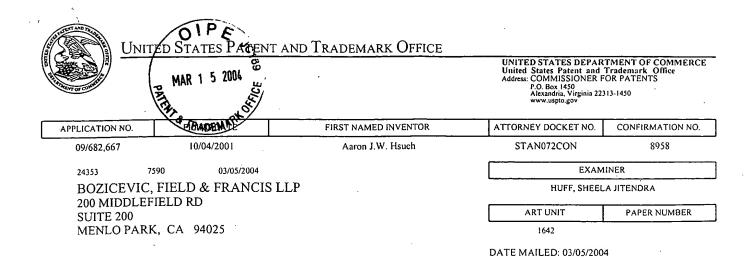
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otice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

The amendment document filed on 02/13/04 is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121, as amended on June 30, 2003 (see 68 Fed. Reg. 38611, Jun. 30, 2003). In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required. Only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment document must be resubmitted (in its entirety), e.g., the entire "Amendments to the claims" section of applicant's amendment document must be re-submitted. 37 CFR 1.121(h).

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		ndments to the specification:
		A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings.
		B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined.
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		A. A complete listing of <u>all</u> of the claims is not present.
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	_	claim cannot be identified.
		D. The claims of this amendment paper have not been presented in ascending numerical order.
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		anation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP Sec. 714 and the USPTO website at gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/opla/preognotice/officeflyer.pdf
this let non-en change	ter to sup	liant amendment is a PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT, applicant is given ONE MONTH from the mail date of ply the corrected section which complies with 37 CFR 1.121. Failure to comply with 37 CFR 1.121 will result in preliminary amendment and examination on the merits will commence without consideration of the proposed reliminary amendment(s). This notice is not an action under 35 U.S.C. 132, and this ONE MONTH time limit le.
since t	he amend 10NTH f	liant amendment is a reply to a NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION (including a submission for an RCE), and ment appears to be a bona fide attempt to be a reply (37 CFR 1.135(c)), applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of rom the mailing of this notice within which to re-submit the corrected section which complies with 37 CFR 1.121 abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD ARE AVAILABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).
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